

I hope to write you again - at least to reply promptly to any letters of yours.

Our best regards to Mrs. S. & best wishes for you all
Ever Yours cordially

Ada Gray

Better than this one is
that you, that is

to date may have
some news of us,

I am not sure whether
Sunday, Nov. 2nd in
London,

A.G.

Herbarium, Kew, June 14, 1844
(Monday morning)

My dear Sargent

It was good (arriving here on Saturday evening, 11th) to get your pleasant letter of May 7, which availed me more, and to hear all are well & prosperous, except Engelmann and his rheumatism.

This morning - as my first work (for yesterday was devoted to London affairs) I take up your little parcel & the question of Abutilon texana, Knockley

You would do as well to consider it a distinct species under Knockley's name (unless I can soon give you more light upon it, when I can see the original of A. laurifolia, L. f.). Perhaps I should have done so if I could have settled about this old name & the plant of Lindley, Bot. Mag. xxx. t. 67, and here got any satisfaction about the limits of the species when admitted.

I can only say now - after 2 hours time given to the matter - that when you have cut loose from A. Mexicana of the N.W. we shall have equal trouble with the Mexican forms. Also as to the "pubescent way" that these troublesome Mexican ~~neighbors~~ neighbors seem to vary in this respect: and that the old-world A. podagracea [which Hooker says in cultivation he can't find character to tell well from Mexicana, but is very like glabris & pubescent, as Hooker has noted in his

Well, the Materials here on
the Texan-Mexican shrub & tree are
Seemann's 2120, Sierra Madre Mexico.

C. Wright's 1433, clearly same & same
as Buckley's, tho. in fruit only.

Bourgeois's 573, Valley of Mexico, St. Fee
Also just the same & in fruit only.

This is ticketed from Paris "A. Kalapensis"
H. B. K. As there is a note of origins at
Paris Herb. I judge correctly - not with-
standing the serrulate leaves. For you
know how little the Pacif. N. Am. & the Texan
plant varies in this regard.

(For & Engelman's Sta Rita Mts, & not sent,
is of course same thing, with the narrow
leaves)

I cannot hesitate to put with it a
specimen ~~plant~~ ^{specimen} hardly in flower, "1422 Fred. Mueller
(from Meisner), Vera Cruz to Orizaba!" - therefore
near H. B. K. locality. Its leaves are all but
entire, and some of the same remains on
the underside of the otherwise glabrous leaves.

Then come a variety of specimens of
"A. Kalapensis" in flower, with "pubescent pub-
escens" on the underside of leaves - all,
I suspect same species. I suspect, too,
that "A. Mullis, H. B. K." is same.

[Then, tho. at 90. Pl. Hartweg, named
"A. densiflora" ^{Eng} H. B. K. by Kunth, "A. flava =
Dulca, Pl. Hartweg Mart. & Gal." & I
suspect not Kunth's Densiflora. He

neither mentions nor figures setose
pubescence.] So much for this
business; it is all I can do.

Perhaps you have found out by
this time (what Oliver, it seems could not
tell you) that the "Amnaca" ^(No. 3)
is Buxentia Cucubitina! Garber
got it.

No. 1, "Darling Plum" = Reynosa,
Griseb. See herb, & see
Eggers little paper on the
genus.

No. 2, looks like a Rhamnaca
I will not waste time on it, as it tells
nothing.

At Brussels I learned a
good arrangement for labels of
trees to indicate the geography.
For long to describe now, have
got an illustrated specimen
to bring or send to you & Gortale
I gave your letter to Hooker, who
read it with pleasure.